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1. General Progress:

- a. During the reporting period, work on the concreting of the taxi track and its lead-in lanes was completed.
- b. Work has started on the construction of the new roads leading off the runway.
- c. Approximately one quarter of the German workers on the project are being transferred elsewhere in the DDR.

2. Runway Details:

- a. The concrete runway is now fully serviceable and cleared of all equipment and other building debris.
- b. The exact dimensions of the completed runway are as follows:

Length: 500 sections, each 7 meters long - 3,500 meters  
Width: 10 strips, each 7.4 meters, and 1 strip 6 meters - 80 meters  
Thickness: Exactly 40 centimeters, not reinforced.

3. Taxi strips:

- a. The new taxi strip, parallel with and approximately 500 meters south of the runway, has now been fully concreted for its entire length of 3,500 meters (See item 4 on sketch). The strip has been laid to a depth of 40 centimeters without metal reinforcing and is exactly 20 meters in width.
- b. The four lead-in lanes connecting the runway with the new parallel taxi strip have been completed. The two inner lanes (see item 3 on sketch) are exactly 18 meters in width, while the two outer lanes (see item 2 on sketch) have now been widened to 22.2 meters. All four lanes are concreted to a depth of 40 centimeters.

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4. New construction

- a. Two new concrete lanes are being prepared, one leading off from the southeast corner of the taxi strip (see item 17 on sketch) and the other leading off from the northwest corner of the runway (see item 18 on sketch). Each lane is 20 meters wide and exactly 1 kilometer long. Work has started on the concreting of the southeast lane, along the southern side of which extensive clearing and leveling of the woodlands is in progress.
- b. A new road is being laid, connecting the eastern end of the runway extension to the nearby village of Goellin (see item 16 on sketch).
- c. A new excavation is being made north of the loading ramp adjoining the southernmost railway siding (see item 31 on sketch). The clearing measures exactly 15 meters by 10 meters and is two meters deep, with six smaller excavations being cut out of the base. Of these six excavations, five are circular with a diameter of between 2 and 2 1/2 meters, while the sixth measures approximately 3 meters x 2 meters. The purpose of this project is unknown.
- d. In each of the roughly cleared 160 meter strips adjoining one side of the grass strips alongside the runway (see item 10 on sketch), young coniferous trees are being planted.
- e. On the main domestic site where six large three-storyed barracks have been constructed, work has been in progress on constructing two wings on the eastern side of the block situated in the south-east corner. The northern wing is being fitted out as a light workshop while the other wing is to be utilized as a station store (see item 28 on sketch).
- f. Above the shower on the domestic site (see item 29 on sketch) the upper story is being fitted for large offices.

5. Communications to Airfield:a. Railroad line

1. Work has taken place throughout the period on the relaying of the railroad tracks leading to the airfield (see item 19 on sketch). Sleepers have been relaid and filled in with new granite chippings.
2. Two large ramps (see item 30 on sketch), each 250 meters in length, have been constructed adjoining each of the two main sidings on the airfield.

b. Roads

Both the main road leading from Vietmannsdorf on to the northern perimeter of the airfield and the road leading from Gross Doelln to the southern perimeter of the airfield, are in the process of being completely relaid and resurfaced with small black granite cobbles.

6. Personnel:

During the reporting period the number of German workers from the Bau Union Brandenburg engaged in this project has been reduced from 3,200 to 2,500. 200 workers have been moved to a new civilian building project in Prenzlau, and at the close of the reporting period a further 500 workers were in the process of being transferred to another airfield project at Tutow. Additional groups of workers are awaiting transfer away from the Vietmannsdorf project.

7.  50X1-HUMThe following Soviet vehicles have been observed at the site  50X1-HUM

Studebaker trucks with drivers wearing black/red shoulder boards.

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Ambulance

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Legend to Sketch

1. Concrete runway, 3,500 meters x 80 meters, 40 centimeters thick.
2. Taxi strip, 500 meters x 22.2 meters, 40 centimeters thick.
3. Taxi strip, 500 meters x 18 meters, 40 centimeters thick.
4. Main taxi strip, 3,500 meters x 20 meters, 40 centimeters thick.
5. T-shaped hard-stand, 240 meters x 18 meters, connected by a lane 25 meters x 20 meters.
6. Clearings in woodlands, 50 meters apart, each measuring 35 meters x 18 meters.
7. Area marked out by pegs, purpose unknown, excavated, ready for concreting.
8. Woodlands consisting of coniferous trees, each approximately 15 - 20 meters in height.
9. Levelled area, 75 meters in width, along each side of the entire length of runway, now sown with grass.
10. Area 160 meters in width, previously cleared and roughly levelled adjoining the entire length of item 9. This area is now being sparsely planted with young coniferous trees.
11. Cleared and levelled area, 50 meters in width, adjoining each side of the taxi strip and its lead-in lanes.
12. New clearings in woodlands, 60 meters x 60 meters, being excavated to a depth of 8 meters.
13. Series of concrete strips under construction, now 15 meters in width and at present 100 meters in length, with pegs marked out on the ground indicating an extension of a further 100 meters. The concrete has been laid to a depth of only 15 centimeters.
14. Area enclosed by items 7, 2 and 4, under preparation for the laying of concrete.
15. Newly constructed concrete hard-stand, 50 meters x 50 meters, laid to a thickness of 40 centimeters.
16. Projected road leading to the village of Goellin.
17. New concrete track, 20 centimeters in width, being constructed from the southeast corner of the taxi strip. At present, one kilometer has been marked out.
- 17a. Woodlands in the process of being cleared and levelled, believed to be for aircraft dispersal.
18. New concrete track, 20 meters in width, being constructed from the northwest corner of the runway. This track has been marked out for a length of one kilometer.
19. Permanent railroad tracks recently relaid.
20. Wooden hangar used for storage of cement, at present empty.
21. Overhead high-tension electric power cables.
22. Transformer.
23. Eight-strand barbed wire fence, 2.5 meters high, enclosing the entire landing ground.
24. Main entrance to the airfield site, guarded by two Soviet sentries wearing black/red shoulder boards.
25. Three brick-built barracks, each 75 meters x 30 meters, furnished and ready for occupation.
26. Brick-built barracks building measuring 75 meters x 30 meters with underground bunker beneath measuring 30 meters x 15 meters.
27. Brick-built barracks building, measuring 75 meters x 30 meters with kitchen on ground floor.
28. Brick-built barracks building, measuring 75 meters x 30 meters, at present in use as administration center. Two new wings have been added to the east side for use as a light workshop and as a station store.
29. Shower building, measuring 30 meters x 15 meters, the upper story being fitted out for offices.
30. Loading ramps, 250 meters in length, adjoining the railroad tracks.
31. New excavation at junction of railroad tracks.

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